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1. HOPE TUNIS CONFERENCE CAN HELP SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF EGYPTIAN-
AMERICAN RESEARCH CENTER IN ALEXANDRIA. REQUEST YOU, LINDA KELLER
BROWN, AND OTHERS EMPHASIZE IN CONVERSATION WITH ALEXANDRIA
PARTICIPANTS FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) THE FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPT OF CULTURAL STUDIES.

(B) COMPARATIVE EGYPTIAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES AS BASIC METHOD
TO EXTRACT BEST OF AMERICAN ACHIEVEMENT AND ADAPT IT TO
EGYPTIAN CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT.

(C) THE IMPORTANCE OF A SPECIFIC GOVERNANCE PROGRAM FOR CENTER WITH
RANKING UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS TAKING LEADERSHIP; FULL-TIME
EGYPTIAN DIRECTOR IS IMPERATIVE.

(D) URGENT NEED FOR UNIVERSITY TO IDENTIFY FACULTY MEMBERS AND
GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CENTER'S
ACTIVITIES AND USE RESOURCES.

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2. FULL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE BY MISS NAZEK FAHMI CONFIRMED.
FACULTY OF ARTS DEAN AHMED ABU ZEYD HAS COMMITMENTS IN BEIRUT UNTIL
12 OR 13 JULY AND WILL PROCEED THEN MOST DIRECT ROUTE BEIRUT TO
TUNIS. COMMERCE VICE-DEAN QOREYSA WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE FROM
BEGINNING BUT MAY HAVE LEAVE BEFORE CONCLUSION TO MEET OBLIGATIONS
AT ARAB UNIVERSITY IN BEIRUT. EDUCATION DEAN DIAB NOW UNABLE RPT

UNABLE TO ATTEND. VICE DIAB UNIVERSITY HAS SELECTED DR. AZZA KARARAH, CHAIRMAN, ENGLISH DEPARTMENT, FACULTY OF ARTS. POST REGARDS KARARAH CHOICE EXCELLENT AS SHE IN POSITION TO MAKE EFFECTIVE INTRODUCTIONS AMERICAN LITERATURE IN DEPARTMENT UNTIL NOW STRONGLY UK-ORIENTED. LIKE QOREYSA, KARARAH WILL GO TO BEIRUT UPON CONCLUSION CONFERENCE. POST WILL SEND INFORMATION REQUESTED IN REFTTEL SOONEST.

3. GOOD LUCK WITH CONFERENCE AND WARM REGARDS.
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